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Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 153 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the ALPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (August 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000). 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
- a. XXXXXX Previously submitted
- i. XXXXXX Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on September 30, 2004 (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. _____ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. _____ Other _____
- b. XXXXXX Enclosed
- i. _____ Amendment/Reply
- ii. _____ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. _____ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449
- iv. XXXXXX Other Request for Extension of Time – Two months
2. Miscellaneous
- a. _____ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. _____ Other _____
3. Fees
- The RCE fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. XXXXXX The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. **01-0467**.
- i. XXXXXX RCE fee (\$790.00) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ii. XXXXXX Extension of Time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$420.00 – Two Months)
- iii. _____ Other _____
- b. _____ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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